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Fiscal Note

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H.175 An act relating to modernizing the Children and Family Council for Prevention Programs

As proposed by the House Committee on Judiciary

URL for bill:

[https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2024/WorkGroups/House%20Judiciary/Bills/H.175/Drafts,%20Amendments,%20and%20Legal%20Documents/H.175~Benjamin%20Novogroski~House%20Committee%20on%20Judiciary%20Committee%20Report\(11-0-0\)~2-15-2023.pdf](https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2024/WorkGroups/House%20Judiciary/Bills/H.175/Drafts,%20Amendments,%20and%20Legal%20Documents/H.175~Benjamin%20Novogroski~House%20Committee%20on%20Judiciary%20Committee%20Report(11-0-0)~2-15-2023.pdf)

Bill Summary

The bill proposes to restructure the existing Children and Family Council for Prevention Programs (CFCPP) to more fully align with federal law, the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJCPA) of 1973 as amended by the Juvenile Justice Reform Act (JJRA) of 2018. The Council would be renamed to the Council for Equitable Youth Justice and authorized membership would be expanded from 21 members to 25 members. The bill would require that a majority of members not be employees of federal, state or local government. The Council would be required to support monitoring and reporting compliance with the requirements of JJRA. The Council would continue to fall under the umbrella of the Vermont Department of Children and Families (DCF).

All provisions of the bill would take effect on July 1, 2023.

Fiscal Impacts

The annual budgetary impact of increasing the membership of the Council by four members is estimated to be negligible. The operating costs for the Council are covered with federal JJRA funds.